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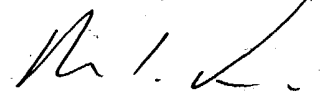
Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the references listed on Form PTO-1449 are attached.

It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, that these references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom, and that an initialed copy of the PTO-1449 be returned to the undersigned.

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